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• SRI M. PALANIYANDI :—" While the Bombay Government have recognized Homœopathic Medicine, why not our Government also recognize it which is cheaper and has been practised in villages up till now? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Homœopathic medical practitioners should have proper medical training just like other Modern medical practitioners. This is what happens in England and other countries of Europe."

SRI ANTHONY PETER :—" Are not the Government aware of the fact that the Allopathic system is capable of killing more number of patients than the Homœopathic system which is more effective, less costly and absolutely harmless? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" That is the opinion of a Member, Sir. It is not the view of modern Medical Science."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" From the reply of the Hon. the Minister it is clear that the Government are worried about lack of training for Homœopathic practitioners. If that is so, will the Government introduce a course of training for these practitioners? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" There is no such proposal."

SRI E. L. RAGHAVA MUDALIAR :—" Will the Government think of introducing such a course in future at least? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" I have already stated what the opinion of the Government in the matter is."

Representation from the workers of Buckingham and Carnatic Mills, Madras.

• 561 *Q*.—SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representation from the workers of Buckingham and Carnatic Mills, Madras, complaining that they have to work in the night shift from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. continuously for more than 5 hours in contravention of the provisions of the Factories Act; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) & (*b*) Yes, Sir.

Due to staggering restrictions imposed on the supply of power to the Buckingham and Carnatic Mills in the evening hours, the workers had to work for more than 5 hours at a stretch in the second shift. The restrictions have since been relaxed and the working hours of the night shift workers have now been refixed in conformity with the provisions of section 55 of the Factories Act, 1948."

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SRI S. PAKKIRISWAMI PILLAI :—" What were the necessity and the reason for continuing the staggering period further between the hours of 6-45 and 8 p.m. in the B. & C. Mills? May I know when the restriction will be removed? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" There was a serious shortage of power on account of the low level of water in the hydro-electric system and also on account of the breakdown of the Basin Bridge power station which has been set right now. But still there has not been a sufficient supply of water available and, therefore, the restrictions continue."

Payment of compensation to one T. K. Narayanan, a worker of the Coimbatore City Transport.

* 562 Q.—SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(a) whether one T. K. Narayanan, a worker of the Coimbatore City Transport, was actually paid a sum of Rs. 1,190 recommended by the Labour Officer as compensation for fourteen months according to the award published in G.O. No. 489, Development, dated 11th May 1953; and

(b) if not, the action proposed to be taken to implement the award?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (a) No, Sir.

" (b) The Government have since ordered the Collector of Coimbatore to recover the amount from the Management as arrears of land revenue and disburse it to Sri T. K. Narayanan."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" 1953-ம் ஆண்டில் மே மாதம் ஆயிரம் சொச்ச ரூபாயும் நஷ்டயீடாக கொடுக்கவேண்டும் என்று ட்ரிபூனல் உத்தர விட்டும் கலெக்டர் மூலம் நடவடிக்கை எடுக்க ஒரு வருஷம் ஆனது என்றால் அந்த தொழிலாளியின் குடும்பத்திற்கு பணம் சேருவதற்கு இன்னும் எத்தனை நாள் ஆகுமென்று கனம் மந்திரியார் அவர்கள் பதில் சொல்வாரா ? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I see, Sir, that they have also preferred an appeal to the Labour Appellate Tribunal and a month's time has been given to the Management to see if they obtain any orders. But if nothing transpires within a month, proceedings will be instituted for recovery of the amount and payment to Sri T. K. Narayanan."

8-50 a.m. SRI S. C. C. ANTHONY PILLAI :—" Will the Government be pleased to state the reason why it has taken 12 months for the Government to take action in the matter? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, just to explain the background of the delay I would require notice."